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SUBJECT: GROUP RATION SUPPLEMENTS AND ENHANCEMENTS

1. THIS MESSAGE IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. THIS MESSAGE APPLIES TO ARMY FIELD FEEDING FOR PEACETIME TRAINING OPERATIONS AND EXERCISES WHEN GROUP RATIONS ARE USED. THIS MESSAGE APPLIES TO CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS (CONOPS) MENUS ALONG WITH OTHER SPECIFIC GUIDANCE PROVIDED FOR CONOPS ENHANCEMENTS.

2. SUPPLEMENTS ARE MANDATORY FOOD ITEMS THAT ARE REQUIRED WHEN PROVIDING GROUP RATIONS. THE OFFICE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL REQUIRES THAT ONLY MILK IS ADDED TO THE GROUP RATION SERVING TO AID IN PROPER NUTRITION. THE FOLLOWING IS A LISTING OF APPROVED MILK FOR THE SUPPLEMENT.

- a. MILK, FRESH 1%
- b. MILK, REDUCED FAT, SHELF STABLE, UHT, ½ PINT CONTAINER
 - (1) CHOCOLATE, 8910-01-474-2621
 - (2) STRAWBERRY, 8910-01-474-2680
 - (3) WHITE, 8910-01-474-2623
- c. MILK, SOY, SHELF STABLE, ½ PINT CONTAINER
 - (1) CHOCOLATE, 8910-01-506-5245
 - (2) STRAWBERRY, 8910-01-506-5249
 - (3) WHITE, 8910-01-506-5239

2. USE OF ENHANCEMENTS IS A DECISION TO BE MADE BY THE LOCAL COMMANDER IN ACCORDANCE WITH KNOWN OPTEMPO. USE LOCAL PRIME VENDOR NUMBERS WHEN POSSIBLE. VETERINARY PERSONNEL SHOULD BE CONSULTED FOR ISSUES REGARDING FOOD SAFETY AND APPROVED SOURCE OF CERTAIN FOOD PRODUCTS. LOCAL COMMAND DECISIONS ARE LIMITED TO THE LISTING OF AUTHORIZED ENHANCEMENTS PROVIDED IN THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS.

a. FRESH FRUITS CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE AT ALL MEALS. NO MORE THAN TWO DIFFERENT FRUITS PER MEAL MAY BE SERVED. THESE FRUITS WITH AN ISSUE FACTOR OF 18 LBS PER 50 PERSONS ARE AUTHORIZED.

- (1) APPLES, NSN 8915-01-088-8749.
- (2) BANANAS, NSN 8915-00-126-8748.
- (3) ORANGES, NSN 8915-00-616-0211
- (4) PEARS, NSN 8915-00-126-8805.
- (5) PLUMS, NSN 8915-00-126-8806.

b. SUMMER SEASONAL FRESH FRUIT IS ALLOWED AND AMOUNTS ARE BASED ON 50 PERSONS.

- (1) CANTALOUPE, FRESH, 21 LBS, 8915-00-126-8801.
- (2) HONEYDEW MELONS, FRESH, 21 LBS, 8915-00-127-4360.
- (3) NECTARINES, FRESH, 18 LBS, 8915-00-238-7120.
- (4) WATERMELONS, FRESH, 26 LBS, 8915-01-077-6178.

c. ASSORTED DRY CEREAL (BOWL PACKS) ARE AUTHORIZED. ISSUE 50 INDIVIDUAL BOWL PACKS PER 50 PERSONS. WHEN DRY CEREAL IS SERVED, AN ADDITIONAL 1/2 PINT OF UHT, SOY, OR FRESH MILK PER PERSON IS REQUIRED. THE FOLLOWING BOWL PACK CEREAL IS AUTHORIZED:

- (1) CEREAL, VARIETY, BOWL PACK – 8920-01-E60-0167.

d. THE FOLLOWING SALAD ITEMS ARE AUTHORIZED PER 50 PERSONS:

- (1) SALAD, MIXED, BAG, 5 LBS, 8915-01-416-5712.

e. OTHER OPTIONAL SALAD/VEGETABLE ITEMS MAY BE ORDERED:

- (1) CUCUMBERS, 2 LBS, 8915-00-252-3788.
- (2) ONIONS, YELLOW DRY, 2 LBS, 8915-00-228-1947.
- (3) RADISHES, FRESH, RED, 1/2 LB, 8915-00-816-0027.
- (4) SPINACH, FRESH, READY-TO-USE, 2 LBS, 8915-01-407-5790.
- (5) TOMATOES, 2 LBS, 8915-00-582-4059.
- (6) LEMONS, FRESH, 2 LBS, 8915-00-582-4071

f. OTHER OPTIONAL SALAD DRESSING, LITE OR REGULAR TO BE ORDERED WITH NO MORE THAN TWO DIFFERENT SALAD DRESSINGS PER MEAL MAY BE SERVED IN AN ISSUE FACTOR OF 150 INDIVIDUAL 7/16 OZ PACKAGES.

- (1) BLUE CHEESE, 8950-00-328-6725.
- (2) FRENCH 8950-00-975-3509.
- (3) ITALIAN 8950-01-031-9148.
- (4) RANCH 8950-01-361-6889.
- (5) THOUSAND ISLAND 8950-00-6727.

g. IF A HAMBURGER MEAL IS SERVED, ADDITIONAL MENU COMPONENTS CAN BE USED, PER 50 PERSONS.

- (1) TOMATOES, FRESH - ISSUE 6 LBS, 8915-00-582-4059.
- (2) LETTUCE, FRESH - ISSUE 4 LBS, 8915-00-117-3358.
- (3) ONION, YELLOW - ISSUE 3 LBS, 8915-00-228-1947.
- (4) CHEESE, AMERICAN, PROCESSED, SLICED - ISSUE 5 LBS, 8915-00-656-0993.

h. IF A STEAK MEAL IS SERVED, ADDITIONAL MENU COMPONENTS CAN BE USED, PER 50 PERSONS.

- (1) POTATOES, WHITE, FRESH, BAKING – ISSUE 28 LBS, 8915-01-E19-2513
- (2) SOUR CREAM, 1 OZ PACKAGE, 8910-01-E09-5983

i. OTHER ADDITIONAL MENU COMPONENTS AS NECESSARY PER 50 PERSONS.

- (1) CRACKERS, SODA, SALTED, 2 PER PACKAGE, 100 EACH, 8920-01-E09-5958
- (2) SUGAR, REFINED, WHITE, GRANULATED, 10 LBS, 8925-01-E09-2553
- (3) SUGAR, SUBSTITUTE, PC, 400, 8925-01-E19-1225
- (4) TEA BAGS, IND SERVE, 100/BOX, 8955-01-E19-3754

j. BREAD IS NOT A MANDATORY SUPPLEMENT. SHELF STABLE, SPLIT TOP LOAF BREAD, (8920-01-295-9276) IS AVAILABLE WHEN THERE IS A REQUIREMENT FOR BREAD AND COMMERCIAL BREAD CANNOT BE PROVIDED. COMMERCIAL BREAD INCLUDES:

- (1) SLICED BREADS OF VARIETY THAT IS WHITE, WHEAT, RYE, RAISIN. AND MULTIGRAIN
- (2) SPECIALTY SANDWICH BREADS OF VARIETY THAT IS FRENCH, BUNS, PITA, AND FLOUR TORTILLAS (FAJITAS).

k. BEVERAGE BASE POWDERS OTHER THAN QUANTITIES PROVIDED IN GROUP RATIONS OR THE MRE ARE AUTHORIZED ONLY TO ADDRESS OPERATIONS AND EXERCISES WHERE BOTTLED WATER IS EMPLOYED. THESE BEVERAGE BASE POWDERS OR CRYSTALS MAY BE ANY FLAVORS AND SUGAR-FREE OR WITH SWEETENER OR SPORT DRINK FORMULAS.

(1) CRYSTAL LIGHT IN INDIVIDUAL SERVINGS OF LEMONADE, RASPBERRY OR PEACH TEA FLAVORS COMES 120 PACKET PER CASE. USE 1 PACKET FOR 20 OZ OF BOTTLED WATER AND UP TO 3 PACKETS FOR 1.5 LITER BOTTLE.

8960-01-E60-4164	BEV, BASE, CRYSTAL LIGHT, ON THE GO, lemonade	4/30/20 oz yield
8960-01-E60-4163	BEV, BASE, CRYSTAL LIGHT, ON THE GO, peach tea	4/30/20 oz yield
8960-01-E60-4162	BEV, BASE, CRYSTAL LIGHT, ON THE GO, raspberry ice	4/30/20 oz yield

(2) GATORADE POWDER IN 2.12 OZ VARIETY PACKAGE OF ORANGE, LEMON-LIME, AND FRUIT PUNCH FLAVORS COMES ____ PACKETS PER CASE. PACKAGE YIELDS 1 QUART TO BE MIXED WITH 32 OZ OF WATER.

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